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MARINE NOTES.

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ound. They were unsuccessful. Schooner Fred J. Wood has been

COLUMBIA ABANDONED.

Big Steamship Loaded With Iron Floating Around the Pacific.

There is a derelict floating around the Pacific that mariners will be looking for, not with the idea that she could ever be men feel.

SOME OLD SHIPS.

Vessels Built Nearly Half a Century of the Ago Still Running.

The high freights being paid to lumber

her in the lumber trade.

Under the usual freight rates the bark would not be a profitable carrier, as her capacity is entirely too small for the expense of operating her. Her present charter calls for \$5.50 per thousand to San Francisco, and she will take between \$300.000 and \$400,000 feet. The

Strange to relate, she is in the coarding trade between the Sound and San Francisco. Next comes the whaling bark Hunter, 337 tons, which is now engaged in carrying freight and passengers to St. Michael and Cape Nome. She was built at Bath, Me, in 1851. The schooner Eclipse, 221 tons, was built in 1852, and the whaling bark Bounding Billows, 227 tons, was built in 1854 at Chelsea, Mass.

great question is one of the surest proofs of the truth of the dogma of im-mortality. It is simply a case where the claimed for it.

This excursion season has been remarkable for the number of notable parties going North, and the many prominent people who have made the trip.

The past has been the best Alaskan excursion season in years. The number excursion season in years. The number the future, omens, witchcraft, forecast the future, omens, witchcraft, the burial customs of many peoples—all greater and the number of private parties going North has been unusually large. The prospects of the next year, as judged from the present one, are unusually bright.

The Queen is the only excursion boat which has been withdrawn from Northern run. She has gone on San Francisco route, succeeding the City of Puebla. The other boats are needed to handle the regular Alaska travel.

MARINE NOTES.

the burial customs of many peoples—all these things testify to the existence of a belief in immortality. The thing is so much a part of our lives that we cannot shake it off. In spite of ridicule, skepticism, materialism and of the supposed demonstration of the falsity of the doctrine, men have held to it, and the scientists have been forced to investigate the matter with all the seriousness which they employ in proving the existence of a given law in physics.

It seems to us that this universal and, on natural grounds, unexplainable in-

Short Paragraphs of Yesterday's Doings in Local Steamboat Circles.

H. M. S. Phaeton sailed yesterday for Ph. M. S. Phaeton sailed yesterday for Cannot but think that, even in the ab-Behring Sea, with an engineer to replace the chief of the Icarus, who has been stricken with blindness.

Cannot but think that, even in the absence of scientific demonstration, the case is very strong. We do not believe that a sane, normal man, with no theory to sustein no metter what his intellectual interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was that the pages we torn out at the war office, and the factorial interpretation was the page was to sustain, no matter what his intellectual skepticism may be, the slightest esterday for target practice.
mistaken by the operator at int for an inbound merchant the for heing very thick at the Otter Point for an inbound merchant steamer, the fog being very thick at the time.

Tugs Sea Lion and Wanderer have returned to Port Townsend, after searching for the derelict seen off Clayquot Chor were unsuccessful.

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the more fully alive a man is the more to-day. keenly does he feel this.

of 38 men are now in Honolulu. The City of Columbia sailed from this port on August 11 for Hongkong with a cargo of scrap iron, valued at \$400. The next day the vessel commenced leaking, and she had to be abandoned. No lives are lost."

And every man has his favorites, those from whom he draws comfort, inspiration and encouragement. To him these was considered by the audience. Some of his remarks, particularly his declaration that he was considered to excess, in moderation it acts upon the ears of the world much easier by the audience. Some of his remarks, particularly his declaration that he was considered to excess, in moderation it acts upon the early of the world much easier by the audience. Some of his remarks, particularly his declaration that he was considered to excess, in moderation it acts upon the early of the world much easier by the audience. Some of his remarks, particularly his declaration that he was considered to excess, in moderation it acts upon an adult as a mild sedative. It is claimed that after the 30th year its use blotted out. Bather he thinks of him prolongs life and preserves the mind by lessening the bodily functions of waste and repair. bletted out. Rather he thinks of him as having, like his own Col. Newcome, answered "Adsum," when the call came, and as now standing "in the presence of the Master." So the whole race is bound together. As the old hymn has it, "living and dead but one communion make." And there is the testimony of the proofs which of itself fills volumes. being brought out from the boneyard and put in commission again. One of the best and oldest samples of ancient marine architecture on the Coast arrived from San Francisco Trans San Franc the best and oldest samples of ancient marine architecture on the Coast arrived from San Francisco yesterday and will load lumber at Blakeley for the sailing port, says the Port Townsend Leader.

The vessel in question is the old whaling bark Northern Light, Capt. Carnellston. With two exceptions the Northern Light is the oldest sea-going vessel owned on the Pacific Coast, and when not engaged in whaling has been laid up in Oakland creek. The scarcity of car-

in Oakland creek. The scarcity of carriers and high freights offered in consequence have induced her owners to put her in the lumber trade. charter calls for \$5.50 per thousand to San Francisco, and she will take between 300,000 and 400,000 feet. The Northern Light was built in Rochester, Mass., in 1851, and has a net tonnage of 365 tons.

Of the ther old vessels on the Coast the bark Germania, 958 tons, and built in Portsmouth, N. H., is the oldest to-morrow we die," But if we never thousand to be fatal to to-morrow we die," But if we never the same store as a same to bathing master the bark Germania, 958 tons, and built to fit me? Bat to bathing sult to fit me? Bat to fix the same loss of faith in immortality would be fatal to the bark Germania, 958 tons, and built in Portsmouth, N. H., is the oldest to-morrow we die," But if we never the same loss of the same loss of the same loss of faith in immortality would be fatal to the bark Germania, 958 tons, and built to-morrow we die," But if we never the same loss of the same loss of

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NORTHERN DEPARTURES.

Steamers Danube and Princess Louise, Sailed Late Last Night.

Steamers Danube and Princess Louise, of the C. P. N. Co., sailed last night for the North, the Danube for Lynn Canal, and the Louise for Northern British Columbia ports. Neither had many pas-

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surrounding atmosphere.

A very curious fact concerning tobacco smoke is the remarkable change in color which it undergoes after entering the concerning the concerning the color which it undergoes after entering the color which it is a co

ish tint.
The difference is to be accounted for

of annihilation. But even so, it is still true that he finds himself unable to conis merely hope, and that he holds the Isaiah, St. Paul, Socrates, Plato, Epicture Haleigh won his famous wager with Queen Elizabeth, he took no account of Isaiah, St. Paul, Socrates, Plato, Epicture Haleigh won his famous wager with Queen Elizabeth, he took no account of Isaiah, St. Paul, Socrates, Plato, Epicture Haleigh won his famous wager with Queen Elizabeth, he took no account of these when he attempted to show her the letters. Isaiah, St. Paul, Socrates, Plato. Epictreive of an end to conscious human existence. The words of Christ seem to him eternally true—"God is not the God of the dead, but of the living," and God of the dead, but of the living," and would not hold good with any scientist

It has often been quoted that a grain Another fact to be taken into account is the sense of historic continuity that men feel. We cannot think of the great towed to port, but rather because a collision with her would prove disastrous. A san Francisco despatch gives the warning. It says: "Steamship City of Columbia has been abandoned at sea in a water-logged condition, and her crew of 38 men are now in Honolulu. The City of Columbia salled from this port.

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same purpose, tobacco is very mild. Opium, without doubt, is fearful in its effects, for the drunkenness it produces ultimately unbalances the mind. Next topium in power are certain kinds of grasses, notable among which is hemp which causes intoxication and anas-

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

"Do you like Schubert's music, Mr. lington?" "Well, it ain't so good as they have at Swarteshelmer's, two doors further down the street."—Cleveland Plain Dealer. Early Summer.—Mrs. Gadd—How are you passing the time now, Mrs. Gabb? Mrs. Gabb—Oh, I'm dressing and undress-ing with the weather.—New York Weekly. "A seaman washed overboard," exclaim-

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from the mouth is of a decidedly brown- that he had communicated the missing pages to foreign agents.
A porter of the war office, named Ferei

Feret's statements were concoction diately detached from the rest by the presence of moist surfaces, to which they sation. Then in a cooler manner, the prisoner made a statement explaining the difference of the sation. ficulties in the way of a civilian such as

General Gonz thereupon presented two letters to the effect that the writers, both of them civillans, obtained easy admittance scure has been one of the surprises of the to the offices.

After hearing the deposition of M. Gendron and a number of minor officials, who did not give interesting evidence, the court adjourned for the day at 11:45 a.m.

NEW CALENDAR FOR RUSSIA. At Last the Czar's Dominions Will Keep Time With European Civilization.

Consul-General Holloway reports a Conservative committee, appointed by from St. Petersburg to the state department that the Russian government has, ated with great ingenuity and care. Poliafter many years' discussion, decided to abandon the Julian calendar and adopt the Gregorian, now in use the world over except in Russia and Greece. A commission of sixteen members, including nine astronomers, will arrange the details of the change, and it is hoped that nine astronomers, will arrange the de-tails of the change, and it is hoped that

tails of the change, and it is hoped that the new calendar will go into operation in 1901.

"The adoption by Russia of a new calendar," said one of the state department officials, "will be an event of the first importance to commercial interests, both in Russia and elsewhere, as the old-style calendar, which is now twelved days behind that in universal use, has proved a serious annoyance to Russians, as correspondence has to be doubledated and there is a great deal of confusion as to dates.

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"The adoption by Russia of a new calendar, which is now twelved first importance to commercial interests, both in Russia and elsewhere, as the old-style calendar, which is now twelved dated and there is a great deal of confusions of the cost they would involve. The company are desting work on which they can live days behind that in universal use, has proved a serious annoyance to Russians, as correspondence has to be doubledated and there is a great deal of confusion to the committee; on the other hand, they had philanthropic social reformers like Mr. Charles Booth declaring their practicability. Wessel's machinery not ready sooner. Will it be advisable to run that date, or postponed until Wednesday, 30th. Vessel's machinery not ready sooner. Will it be advisable to run that date, or postpone dutil Wednesday, 30th. Vessel's machinery not ready sooner. The officials of the company are determined that before the steamer is placed on the route she shall be in first-class condition.

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claimants have been heard from, while only 265 of their claims have been heard from, while all owed. Brook the difference of 215, and there will be numerous additions. It is evident, therefore, that it the personnel in the post, and no respirable the numerous additions. It is evident, therefore, that it the personnel in the past, and no respirable the numerous additions. It is evident, therefore, that it the personnel in the past, and no respirable the numerous additions. It is evident, therefore, that it the personnel in the past, and no respirable the numerous additions. It is evident, therefore, that it the personnel in the past, and no respirable the numerous additions. It is evident, therefore, that it the personnel in the past, and no respirable the numerous additions. It is evident, therefore, that it the personnel in the past, and no respirable the numerous additions. It is evident, therefore, that it the personnel in the past, and no respirable the numerous additions. It is not the personnel in the past, and no respirable the numerous additions. It is not the personnel in the past, and no respirable the numerous additions. It is not the personnel in the past, and no respirable the numerous additions. It is not the personnel in the past, and no respirable the numerous additions, without any sort of objection. The Russian government may put as they have been in the past, and no respirable the new colledary to the personnel in the past, and no respirable the numerous additions. The formal past of the personnel in the past and no respirable the numerous additions. The formal past of the following company of Grand Forks, and all the 4th of some particular, without all the 4th of some particular, with the personnel to the personnel in the past and no responsition or the paperson formally adopted the new callendary to the personnel may put and the desired the numerous addition, without any put of some particular, with the president of the following the paperson and the desired the numerous addition, without a without having lived an hour

birthday, without having longer.—New York Sun. OLD AGE PENSIONS.

Outline of the Scheme Proposed by Committee of Imperial House.

From the Montreal Herald.

That a feasible, practicable and workable old age pension scheme should have emerged Here Dreyfus retorted, smartly, that the past few days in English politics, and what Here Dreyfus retorted, smartly, that the regulations were most strict in this respect, and, therefore, some persons were guilty of a gross breach of discipline.

Demange then scored by adding that if entry into these offices was so easy, anybody could procure the information Dreyfus was alleged to have obtained so surprising of all is that the promoters of it should be found not in the advanced wing of the Liberal party, but should be a responsible committee of the British House of Commons, appointed by a staunch Conservative of the type of Mr. Chapin, president of the local government board, the ministerial head of the departthe Poor Law. Old age pensions had, it is true, been earmarked, so to speak, by the Conservative party, but as they seemed to alleviate the pressure of old age upon to be favored by nobody except Mr. Chamberlain, and as the idea was distasteful to many, it was never thought the government would have the courage to take it up.

There has, however, been a strong and New Sound Steamer Cannot Make Her far from the best-is, in fact, about the far from the best-is, in fact, about the very worst-that can be devised for the relief of the aged poor. Whether it is a sincere desire to grafify this feeling or whether it is a crafty device to run off with another plank in the platform which was intended to carry the Liberal party craft to victors at the root election it is

and infirm. Mr. Chaplin and his collaborators are represented as being somewhat in terror lest Sir Michael Hicks-Beach should absolutely decline to countenance a project which he has in the past regarded as humbug. As to the scheme itself, it has much to commend it. The committee, in presenting their project, had first to disabuse the public mind of the validity of the conclusions of the two previous committees that old age pensions would check thrift. "We recognize," they say, "and we entirely concur in the force of this expression of opinion, but on the other hand we are unable to ignore the fact, abundant-

(2) That the authority for this purpose should be a committee of not less than six or more than twelve members, appointed by the guardians from their own number

n the first instance.

(3) That the committee, when appointed should be independent of the Board of luardians, with power to add to its num bers, subject to regulations made by the local government board, especially by add-ing representatives from other local au-

(4) That the cost of the pensions should borne by the common fund of the union, and that a contribution from Imperial Rossland Warehouse and Transfer sources should be made to that fund in aid pany, have dissolved partnership. of the general cost of the Poor Law ad stration, but not exceeding one-half of the estimated cost of the pensions.

(5) That the amount of the pension in any district should be not less than 5s. or mor than 7s. a week, at the discretion of the committee, and according to the cost of living in the locality, and that it should pe paid through the medium of the post-

(6) That the pension should be awarded vanced wing of the Liberal party, but should be a responsible committee of the British House of Commons, appointed by a but subject to withdrawal at any time by the pension authority, if, in their the circumstances should demand it. The committee point out, in conclusion that by encouraging people to keep off the ment that controls the administration of Poor Law and to belong to benefit societies, will promote thrift as it does will certainly, if carried into effect, go far

First Trip Until Next Week. The steamer Victorian will not be here telegram was received from Messrs.
Dodwell & Company, Tacoma, stating that the seteamer's machinery was not yet ready, and in fact she will not go yet ready, and in fact she will not go an the run until Wednesday next. On the run until Wednesday next. On holding by pre-empting 360 acres of the Fifth Regiment Band on the run until Wednesday next. On holding by pre-empting 360 acres of the Fifth Regiment Band on his own account with the reade on his own account with the reader of the reader to-morrow as announced yesterday. A he bought the wayside stopping place excursion to Seattle has been postponed until September 9. Tickets sold for Sat-urday will be good for September 9, but those who have already bought tickets and do not wish to go on the later date can have their money refunded. All the novelties arranged for Saturday will hold good for September 9, by which time the company has guaranteed to have the steamer ready. The telegram from Messrs. Dodwell & Company follows:

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Spokane, capital \$30,000; local office Erie; F. S. Maybee, agent.

MISCELLANEOUS.

David Gibb, contractor, Vancouver has assigned to J. W. McFarland. meeting of the creditors is sun for the 8th of September. A special general meeting of the share colders of the Vancouver Group Mining Company will be held at the company office, Vancouver, on September 18.

Albert Barrett and Lee Coombs, o Rossland, carrying on business as the Rossland Warehouse and Transfer Con

THEODORE KRUGER DEAD A Pioneer of Osoyoos and Well Known

On Saturday, the 5th instant, the

Throughout the Province.

death occurred at Osoyoos of Mr. The dore Kruger, whose name has long been familiar as a household word in central southern British Columbia. His decease was not unexpected, the old neer having long since passed allotted three score years and ten, an having latterly been feeble and plain drawing near the close of his life. British flag, but his family conne were in Hanover, Germany, where were in Hanover, Germany, where brother held a government appointmen for 40 years. Mr. Kruger came to British Columbia from Hanover in the lat fifties, and in 1858 or 1859 was a cler at the Hudson's Bay post at Kamloop In 1860 he was transferred to the Similarmen nost then under Chief Factor kameen post, then under Chief Fact Tait, and now the property of Mr. Co thard, Keremeos Creek. the Columbia river, and the annua races at Osoyoos used to attract a numerous assemblage of Indians f varied and interesting. Of late y
his business operations were small,
his cordial welcome to callers was I the less characteristic funeral. His body was buried at the head of Osoyoos lake, about midwa

between Osoyoos and Fairview, at a spechosen by himself some time since, Rev. Mr. Campbell conducting the buris

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Not only does the old mines continue goo eries of value are be a strike having just le 325-foot east drift of that gives promise phenomenal. Sampl an 8-foot vein, were Mr. Treat and are be . Treat, and are much interest by min of the ore is very ric cock copper, and co an average value of cent., and running as with a considerable gold and silver. The shaft is being continuous 1,000 feet, which is ore is steadily improve gained.
The new sawmill

pany was started Treat left home, its containing some 350, rived Monday. The well as the mines—and it will be bu the Texada folk h their own to supply herald the richne The editor is Mr. mer member of staff, and the repre per in the legislative last session.

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